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SUBJ: FISHERIES DISPUTE

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1. WE ARE SOMEWHAT UNCERTAIN ABOUT FISHERIES PROSPECTS
AFTER SEPTEMBER 1. DO BRITISH INTEND IN EFFECT START ON
NEW FISHING YEAR AFTER THAT DATE, PLANNING KEEP CATCH
WITHIN ICJ-SET LIMIT OF 170,000 TONS FOR PERIOD ENDING
AUGUST 31, 1974? IF SO, WILL FISHING AND CONSEQUENT
NAVAL PROTECTION BE CONTINUING THING THROUGHOUT WHOLE
FISHING YEAR, OR WILL TRAWLERS AND FRIGATES PULL OUT
DURING WINTER? DOES REFTEL (B) CONCLUDING REMARK ABOUT
BARENTS SEA MEAN THAT INDUSTRY THINKING OF SHIFTING
ENTIRELY OUT OF ICELANDIC AREA NEXT SEASON? WHEN DOES
NEXT SEASON BEGIN?

2. WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL GET ANY SUPPLEMENTARY INFO ON
THESE AND RELATED MATTERS LONDON OR REYKJAVIK CAN SUPPLY.
FROM U.S. POINT OF VIEW, PRESENCE OF FRIGATES OF COURSE
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REPRESENTS COMPLICATING FACTOR IN U.S.-GOI BASE NEGOTIA-

TIONS NOW EXPECTED BEGIN AROUND OCTOBER 1 AND WE CONTINUE
HOPE FOR BREAK OF SOME SORT IN PRESENT IMPASSE WHICH
WOULD PERMIT THEIR WITHDRAWAL. ROGERS

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